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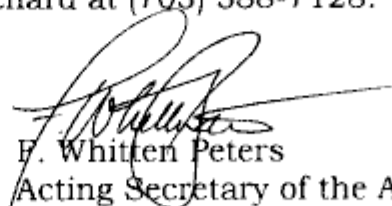
MEMORANDUM FOR DISTRIBUTION C

SUBJECT: National Performance Review (NPR) Reinvention Impact Center
(RIC) Goals for Defense Acquisition

In July 1997, Vice President Gore designated Defense Acquisition as an NPR RIC. In support of this initiative, the Secretary of Defense recently directed the Air Force to take the necessary measures required to accomplish each of the 12 acquisition goals by the year 2000. I firmly support these goals and ask for your assistance as we put the appropriate measures in place to ensure the Air Force helps meet the NPR RIC goals.

The Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary (Acquisition and Management) and the Vice Chief of Staff will co-chair an Air Force NPR RIC Goal Steering Committee that will meet bi-annually, or as necessary, to review our Air Force contributions toward meeting the goals. I also ask that an Air Force NPR RIC Working Group be established to develop goal action plans, report their progress to the Goal Steering Committee and communicate our successes through the world wide web. I have appointed Col Bill Selah, SAF/AQXA, to lead this Air Force NPR RIC Working Group.

I realize the Air Force has made significant progress in acquisition reform and we can all be proud of the impact it has had in providing more combat capability to our warfighters at reduced costs. The NPR RIC goals allow us to showcase our continuing successes in acquisition reform and institute those reforms as our way of doing business. I look forward to working with you on this very important subject. Please refer any questions on this memo to Col Selah at (703) 588-7110 or Maj Bill Richard at (703) 588-7128.


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Acting Secretary of the Air Force

Attachment:
NPR RIC Goals for Defense Acquisition